

SOME SEASONAL BIRDS...

Seen only from spring through summer, they come to nest every year.

TREE SWALLOW

Dark blue-green above; white below. Catches insects in the air. Seen around the ponds.



RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD

Male: red metallic throat, orange back, white belly. Female: red-flecked white throat, green back, white belly. Seen in meadow and edges of woodland.

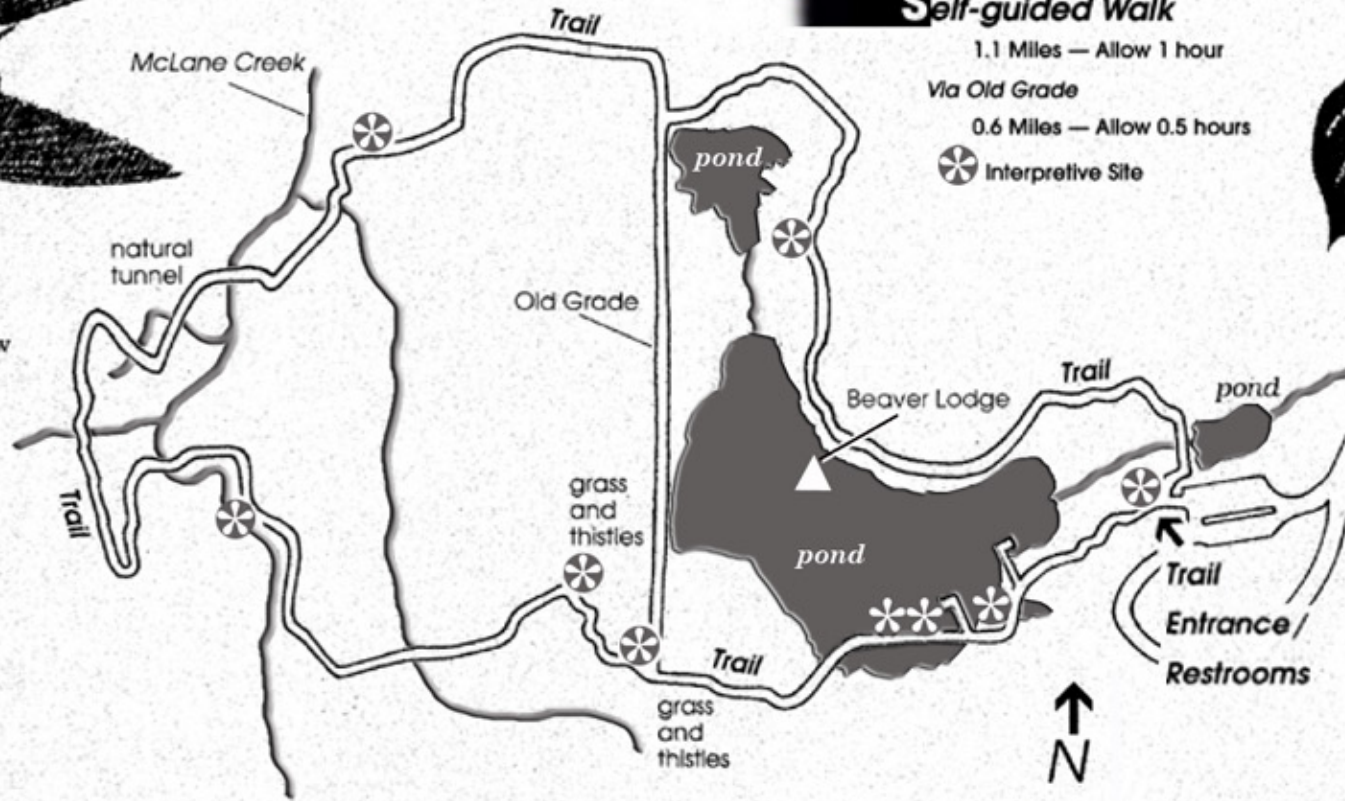


COMMON YELLOWTHROAT

Olive green above; yellow below. Male has black mask. Seen in marsh and meadow. Song: witchity- witchity- witchity-witch.



Every season
has something
new and
interesting to
see.



Self-guided Walk

1.1 Miles — Allow 1 hour

Via Old Grade

0.6 Miles — Allow 0.5 hours

Interpretive Site

A TRAIL FOR ALL SEASONS

In winter, evergreen trees add a dash of color to the subtle tones of the season and ice may cover the beaver ponds. Spring is when nature renews with colorful blooms and baby animals. Summer brings sun-ripened berries — food for hungry birds and mammals. With fall's arrival, salmon return to McLane Creek to spawn and die. Maple leaves turn golden and winds blow briskly as animals prepare for another winter season.

SOME SEASONAL FLOWERS...



WESTERN TRILLIUM

Three white to purple-pink petals mid-April-May. Likes moist, shady woods.



CREeping THISTLE

Pale purple flowers June-September. Found in meadow. Two to four feet tall.



SKUNK CABBAGE

Swamp plant with aromatic yellow blooms March-April.

PACIFIC BLEEDINGHEART

Small pink heart-shaped flowers mid-April-early June. Likes moist, shady woods.



FOXGLOVE

Tube-like pink to purple flowers late June-August. Found around McLane Creek.

"There is symbolic as well as actual beauty in the migration of the birds, (and) ... the folded bud ready for spring. There is something infinitely healing in the repeated refrains of nature - the assurance that dawn comes after night, and spring after the winter."

Rachel Carson
Sense of Wonder, 1956